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This is in response to the outstanding Office Action, dated March 14, 2007, in the above-identified application wherein claims 1-5 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103 over U.S. Patent No. 5,569,696 (Abramson et al.) in view of PCT Application No. 2003/082,997 (Fan PCT) which corresponds to U.S. Patent No. 6,646,088 (Fan et al.); claims 1-5 were rejected for obviousness-type double patenting over claims 1-34 of U.S. Patent No. 6,646,088 (Fan et al.); and claims 1-5 were provisionally rejected for obviousness-type double patenting over claims 24-27 of copending U.S. Application No. 10/957,355. The action was made final.

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